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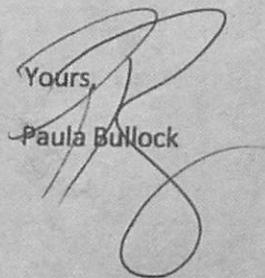
Your Honor,

I am writing to express my deep regret for the actions that have led me here and for the harm those actions caused to others. I am guilty of these acts and through this experience have come to see much more clearly that my actions create a "ripple effect" of harm.

In the nearly two years since this process began, I have been working assiduously to ensure all debts are paid and to ensure that I never again make the choices I have in the past. I have continued to do everything I can to be a providing mother and support to my son, Fynn, and I have sought to make some amends for my actions by continuing to care for abused and neglected animals.

As your honor knows, I have never stood here before – convicted of crime. This process was and is, shocking to me. I do not mean by that "improper" or "unjust," but that it has literally shocked me out of the belief that my actions were "minor," excusable, or "not a big deal." The fact of conviction alone has cost me professionally and personally more than I imagined. For me, most importantly, it has threatened my ability to care for Fynn and to ensure he has every opportunity to achieve his own dreams. Whatever happens today, I will never again do anything to further endanger his welfare or happiness.

As I hope the letters I've submitted today attest, I have been and have the capacity to be a productive member of society – to assuage more harm than I have caused. I ask that this court allow me the opportunity to continue to make amends by serving and supporting abused animals and their owners and to continue to work to support my son.


Yours,
Paula Bullock

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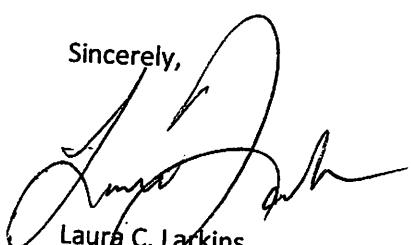
All Dogs Matter!

January 15, 2019

To Whom This May Concern,

Dr. Paula Bullock has been very generous with her time and her services for the shelter animals fortunate enough to come her way. She does not hesitate to provide pro bono veterinary care for the many dogs and puppies pulled by Halifax Dog Squad from local area pounds/shelters. She is a blessing to animals and the people who care for and about them. We have never met another veterinarian so giving of her time and money. She helps over 300 dogs/puppies each year just for our local group. She also helps many others. We consider her an angel. We are very saddened that the jealousy of others has led to such negative for her. She is a single parent that loves her child beyond words and helps anyone in need. It is ashamed that we may be losing her in this area as a vet, but I understand why she wants to just give up the fight and move on. I can tell you the shelters she is now helping in the states she is licensed, have contacted me and stressed that they are so grateful for her help and services in saving lives.

Sincerely,



Laura C. Larkins

President-HDS

I am writing regarding my experiences with Dr. Paula Bullock at Affordable Animal Hospital.

I started going to Dr. Bullock because of the positive experience my friend had there. He brought his sick dog in and Dr. Bullock was immediately able to diagnose her, perform surgery , and send her home with necessary medication. She was exactly right with her diagnosis and treatment and we still have this dog today because of her.

I am very protective and concerned with my dogs, so I am very particular with veterinarians. But, the experiences I've had is the reason I continued to bring my pets to be cared for by Dr. Bullock.

I knew I was fortunate to have found such a gem!

First, I brought my cat there. Again, she immediately knew the issue. She was able to prescribe medications for my cat's thyroid issue (mind you, another "high end" vet incorrectly told me it was her heart).

Then she was able to quickly schedule dental surgery, no waiting weeks to get in. She did only the necessary tests (again, unlike so-called "high end" vets) and provided me with necessary medications to administer to her. I was able to bring my healthy cat home right away.

I also brought a dog there. He needed repeated visits and Dr. Bullock would ALWAYS make time for him. It didn't matter the time of day, whether she'd get to leave at a reasonable hour, or even get to eat dinner.

I was never turned away. There were many nights (probably true of most of her days) in order to accommodate her patients. And I always felt like I had access to her, regardless if I just "showed up" I would wait until she finished seeing a patient or performing surgery, and there she was. She would even call me late at night (even during the night) to keep me updated on my pets condition. She gave out her personal cell phone number!

This was in stark contrast to the "high end" vets I previously mentioned: My dog was having seizures on a Saturday morning. I wanted to bring her in to see a vet where I had been taking her for years. They wouldn't fit me in and I had to bring her to the Emergency vet instead. Months later, when I had to put my dog to sleep, they made me make an appointment which was hours later. Even once I got there, I had to wait. Then I was less than happy the process.

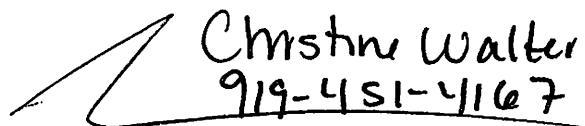
When I went into Affordable Animal Hospital and found out that Dr. Bullock was no longer working there, I cried. She gave A+ service to a population of people who love their pets but don't have a high income. She could have easily worked in a "high end" vet in a wealthy community and gotten paid a lot more money.

And people would have paid because she has a fantastic knowledge of animals. But she close to serve this underserved community because she loves animals and believes the ALL deserve superior treatment.

What a gift to Durham!

Then, I cried when I found out what she was going through. I will testify that I never once experienced her being anything but honest and trustworthy, kind and considerate anytime I was there. Not to me or anyone else. I never saw her turn anyone away.

Her greatest fault is being too trustworthy person! She believes the best in everyone...regardless if they have earned it or deserved it.


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Kelli Oakley <koakley@personcounty.net>

Since the beginning of 2016 we have been working with Dr. Paula Bullock at Affordable Animal Care in Durham NC. This group has been able to pull several animals from us that were about to be euthanized and has been able to place them in loving homes. She has also been providing her services of spaying and neutering several of our adoptable animals so that they are more adoptable at no fee to our shelter. We have had a great working relationship and are very grateful for everything she has done for the Person County Animal Services.

Please contact me directly if you have further questions.

Sincerely,



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March 3, 2019

Re: Dr. Paula Bullock

To whom it may concern,

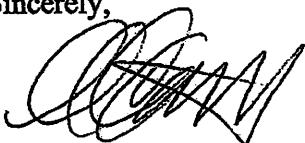
I write concerning Dr. Paula Bullock whom I have known for over 25 years. I first met Dr. Bullock in 1992 shortly after I began work as a resident in small animal surgery at North Carolina State University's Veterinary Teaching Hospital. At the time, Dr. Bullock was in her fourth and final year of veterinary school, working through the small animal surgery rotation. As a student on our service, she impressed me as very diligent and appropriately skilled in her patient and client care.

My professional interaction with Dr. Bullock continued beyond her studies after she assumed ownership of Greenwood Animal Hospital (GAH) and I was then serving as a referral surgeon in private practice (Carolina Veterinary Surgical Service). Beginning in March, 2000 and extending through 2002 when she sold the practice, I provided surgical consultation at Dr. Bullock's request, seeing patients and performing specialty surgical procedures in her hospital facility. According to my records, that interaction over two years involved a total of 25 patients. In early 2016, our professional collaboration began anew with Dr. Bullock requesting consultation for patients presenting at a clinic she had established in Durham, NC (Affordable Animal Care) with the chief aim of serving low-income pet owners. That relationship continued until I left North Carolina in early 2018 to take my present position as Associate Professor of Surgery and Bioethics at Oklahoma State University. During those latter years, my wife and I connected with Dr. Bullock on a personal level and had her in our home on multiple occasions.

In my interactions with Dr. Bullock, I have found her to be a fine colleague and a very trustworthy individual. Her many years of service to a greatly underserved segment of the pet-owning population reflect not only high ideals and ethics, but also great personal resolve and concrete acceptance of the professional's call to serve. In both professional and personal dealings, I have had no occasion to question Dr. Bullock's character or conduct. To the contrary, I have encountered an upstanding individual with a heart for people and pets.

Thank you for your time in considering this letter of reference.

Sincerely,



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Diplomate, ACVS

From: Nicole Robinson <nicole928robinson@gmail.com>
Date: December 9, 2018 at 6:06:09 PM MDT

To whom it may concern.

I help advocate for dogs at Rowan County, NC. These dogs are overlooked and depend on rescue partners to make it to safety. Paula has worked with us for many years now and has been amazing. She has pulled dogs with funds from her own pocket (most only come with minimal pledges) vets them accordingly and finds them homes. The shelter does minimal vetting and she always has picked up and completed treatments. She has even vetted other rescues dogs for discounted rates or free of charge if she can't take the dog. She is a huge asset to the rescue community. Paula helped save 80 plus dogs per month up until this nightmare occurred and her NC Vet License was suspended in August 2018 for issues that occurred years prior. Paula is a very busy person, juggling a business, her beloved son's life, saving pets and helping others. Working with the veterinary community, I know first hand that clinics are often disorganized chaos and issues can arise. I also know that with the amount of money Paula puts into these pets and helping TEAM ROWAN, that what she is being accused of make no sense. Paula is a very kind, generous person with a heart of gold. She is really smart and introverted and focuses on the task at hand. Her clinic was so busy. She was always in the back area helping pets. We really miss and appreciate her being local. However, with all going on, she still helps us pull and save dogs. We transport many dogs now to the state in which she lives and works and she cares for and finds homes. There is not another Vet that I have ever met that gives and cares as she does. Please take all of this into consideration and know that we need Paula in the community working to save lives. Contact me at any time with any questions.

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May 26, 2017

To Whom It May Concern,

This letter is provided as a reference for Ms Paula Bullock, owner and veterinarian at Affordable Animal Care Spay Neuter Clinic at 2005 N Pointe Dr #8, Durham, NC 27705, and Director of George's Place Animal Sanctuary a 501C3 Nonprofit at 1737 Allen Jarrett Drive Mebane NC 27302.

Since relocating to North Carolina in June of 2015 I have been working as a volunteer, currently focusing on transport with many rescues and shelters, primarily within Rowan County NC and other counties. I first met Ms Bullock when she reached out to shelter advocates via social media contact to offer assistance in saving two dogs facing imminent euthanasia. This was approximately March 15th of 2017. I initially transported two dogs pulled under her rescue, and met her staff member Samatha Wheeler for transport handoff. Subsequently, I have transported other dogs and cats directly to Ms. Bullock at the clinic.

It was during these transports and conversations both electronic and phone that I met and gained the further acquaintance of Ms. Bullock and her staff. She immediately made herself available to address standard veterinary and even urgent surgical needs of some of the animals that have come into the local shelter, most often offering her services either pro bono or at a steeply discounted rate. On one occasion I transported a medically urgent cockapoo "Sweetie" aka Skye to Ms Bullock's Clinic for care that she was providing simply as assistance to another rescue, Sweet Souls Rescue, Ms. Amber Gisher. This animal required in excess of \$3,000 of services for which Ms. Bullock was willing to provide free of charge or for an ultimately nominal agreed upon amount.

I have also used Ms Bullock personally for veterinary services for a young puppy which I saved from a local yard sale site and for whom Ms Bullock handled the primary vetting and spay. Again offering to do so for free, although I did provide a discounted payment. Ms. Bullock clearly cares about helping the animals and working with the community and rescue to keep the cost of medical needs reasonable and affordable – even so far as providing them at no cost.

As to the health and well-being of the animals which I transported, several have been adopted; I have even been contacted by one of the adopters with their happy ending. Several are in foster and a few remain under the care of Ms. Bullock and staff while they await placement. I have visited the clinic on numerous occasions and have interacted with many of the animals Ms Bullock is working to assist. Her clinic is always busy and active with both clients and rescue alike, and always has appeared fully staffed.

In the time that I have made the acquaintance of Ms Bullock I have been willing and eager to work with her on behalf of the abandoned and neglected animals that have shown up in the shelters and sales sites of North Carolina, as I believe her goal and mission to help pets and their owners by offering her services is one that has great impact to the community and is necessary to continue to save these lives.

Regards
Angela Elkins

To whom it may concern,

In 2011, a freckled face 5 year old and I met at Orlando Water Sports Complex. Fynn, an amazing little athlete and I met for wake board training. Fynn and I became inseparable. Fynn was an amazing little athlete at even a young age and because of who he is. I knew he would go far in life. Behind Fynn was an amazing women, Paula. Paula is one of the kindest, smartest, most caring women I have ever met. She and I became fast friends and after just a few years became a family. Over the years, I have watched her kindness towards any one in need and save any and every animal that crosses her path. Paula is kind and generous, caring and capable of achieving anything she plans. She starts and manages several successful businesses, takes care of her family, takes care of her clients and their many pets and give 200% of her self to her son. She puts everyone else first.

It breaks my heart to watch the continued attacks she has had to weather over the past several years. She has a very bad relationship with her ex husband and he has tormented her continually since I have known her. Others have sued or harmed her out of greed and jealousy. Paula even at her darkest moments, when she thinks of or sees that freckled faced boy, holds her head up and keeps moving forward. "Fish don't swim backwards" she always says. Paula is very spiritual and has a deep faith. She knows that God is with her and that gives her comfort and strength.

Paula started Affordable Animal Care out of a need to help people and pets. We currently have 16 pets of our own and 22 pets we care for that are fosters waiting for forever homes. Paula relates to pets because they give only love. Paula sold the clinic in April of 18. I found it a blessing as juggling that business while living half of the year in Colorado was a open liability. Paula wanted to keep the clinic to provide medical care for people in need but she could not continue this stress of being liable for others. Paula has helped Fynn become the best. He is a many time world champion in Cable and boat wakeboarding, slope and half pipe snowboarding. He has set many world records and is well sponsored. Fynn just won 3rd in the Burton Junior Jam and placed second and third respectively in slope and pipe snow Rev Tour professional events. Fynn is the youngest athlete to do this. Paula homeschools Fynn, makes sure he is proficiently bilingual and make sure he is caring, humble and kind. Fynn writes thank you notes, maintains a very clean vegetation diet as not to harm an animal and is giving to all....he is a shadow of his mom. Paula once told me , I am glad Fynn always wins, but more important than winning is knowing that he is capable of anything he chooses to do. Paula has amazing values and the love she has for Fynn and me, makes our world shine.

I hope you will please take into consideration that type of person Paula is and that she has a family that needs her. Fynn is riding Junior Pro for wakeboarding this season and is being announced as the newest member of the 2022 US Olympic team in April for half-pipe and slope-style. Fynn did not become this hardworking and amazing without the needed love and support of his mom. Please allow our family to stay together as we love deeply and very much try to make each day better for all

Call with any questions


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02/28/19

Attention Honorable Presiding Judge

I am writing on behalf of Paula Bullock. I have been a close personal friend of Paula and her family for many years. I have known her to be a kind and compassionate person who truly cares for those around her. Paula is a loyal and dedicated mom and animal advocate. She exhibits how a positive lifestyle is led, working long hours, 6 and sometimes 7 days a week to provide for her family. She goes above and beyond by being available to her clients 24 hours a day 7 days per week.

I have witnessed Paula rescue countless animals from shelters and place them in homes. If a suitable home could not be found she would keep the animal(s) at her home indefinitely. She would never shy away from helping an animal in need regardless of breed, age, temperament or size. The animals she rescues are provided with a wonderful place to live, shelter, food, lots of love and excellent veterinary care.

Paula and I became friends because our children shared the same passion for both wakeboarding and snowboarding. Our families have spent a lot of time traveling together to different wakeboarding and snowboarding events. I have never met a more dedicated mom when it comes to helping her son achieve his dreams. She has instilled in her son the importance of hard work, dedication, responsibility and healthy eating habits. Paula is unique in that she maintains a healthy eating lifestyle for her son and herself. As long as I have known Paula I have never seen her drink alcohol or abuse any kind of illegal substance. She is also very conscious about food additives and preservatives in foods and makes sure she only buys whole natural foods.

My children have stayed overnight and traveled with Paula on many occasions. She has opened her home and heart to my kids and treated them like they are her own. This speaks to her character, as I do not trust most people with my children. I have never been concerned when my children are with Paula as I know she will take excellent care of them. She is one of the most unselfish people I know when it comes to helping people and animals.

Please feel free to reach out to me directly if you have any questions either by cell 276-733-1743 or email sflinkingshelt@yahoo.com.

Sincerely,
Stephanie Flinkingshelt

From: roby maschhaupt <gasman87@gmail.com>
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Subject: To whom it my concern

Hello , my name is Robby I'm a professional pit crew member in Nascar,Indy Cars and Endurance racing during the last 33 years .

I met Paula over 15 years ago via a mutual friend.

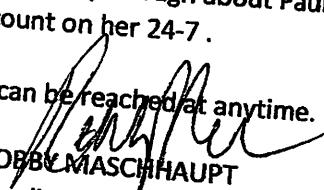
Since then I've learned what an amazing vet, person, mom and friend she is . About three years ago our family pet started to have some serious medical issues. We called Paula and she made arrangements for us to come immediately. Her undying compassion for animals is second to none . Paula was not our dogs regular vet , Daisy has seen the same Vet since day one and Daisy love her . Our vet couldn't figure out what was wrong with Daisy over a year and a half . With nowhere to turn we called Paula . I never had her personal phone number till this experience, she gave it to us and told us to call 24-7 . Although Daisy cant walk to this day , Paula checks on us weekly. She was and still is Daisy's vet of choice. She drove over 200 miles round trip to check on Daisy and provide therapy. She never charged us a dime. When we asked her for a bill, she would say "just do something nice for someone." That is the kind of person Paula is.

In the USA and World her son is one of the best of the best wakeboard up and comers as well as a top talent in snowboarding. Paula is a single parent and juggles work, patients and clients and her son's needed. She puts herself last. Fynn would not be Fynn without Paula. Fynn adores his mom and is so respectful and caring. He opens doors, says thank you and always is willing to give a hand. He is an image of his mom. Paula, as she often says , believes in "the Gospel." She has taught her son the same values. Paula has been so beaten up over the last 15 years. Jealousy, greed and resentment have lead to people doing negative towards this quiet, classy lady. Paula has a deep faith and as she has told me many times "the monster in front of me is much smaller than the giant inside of me ." Her faith, the giant inside of her , has keep her moving forward on days I know she wants to end it all. How she has held her head high and continued to help and serve , shows she is a women of God. Paula works hard in her multiple businesses and has done well. She share her wealth with others often to a fault. Paula is a huge believer in life. She does not believe things should die so she can live. She and her son are both vegetarians for this reason.

As a professional pit crew member i have to keep my ego in check sometimes . The reason i say that is because i have always been amazed at the way Fynn has been raised . Because of his amazing talent, he is as humble as any regular young man his age . I cant express how great he is on the water and snow . I'm talking top top talent in the world . Fynn is always grounded,extremely polite,giving and willing to help out someone that isn't at his level . Everyone sees stardom in Fynn's future, I'm four times more proud of the way he handles the spotlight, success and popularity. That all comes from his mom and his culture at home .

I cant say enough about Paula and her family. I'm extremely proud to call her a friend and know i can count on her 24-7 .

I can be reached at anytime.


ROBBY MASCHHAUPT
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March 3, 2019

Your Honor,

My name is Megan Grimes-De Voe and I am writing a character reference for Paula Bullock.

I have known Dr. Bullock since 2001. She hired me as one of her nursing staff while she owned Greenwood Veterinary Hospital. Dr. Bullock has an amazing work ethic as well as a huge heart, filled with empathy and compassion for her patients and clients. She would routinely go to shelters in our area and pick up animals that were to be euthanized, to have them adopted out of her clinic at her expense.

Paula's kind and gracious heart has made her an amazing mother as well. Paula goes beyond what many parents would ever do to honor their child and to encourage that child to pursue his dreams. Paula works tirelessly to support Fynn in all his endeavors. I have seen Paula beside him at his competitions with huge hugs of love. I have heard her remind him of how important it is to say thank you, but even more important to write an old fashioned thank you card. She is a mother that has been able to give her son the world but is also raising a humble young man that is well on his way to being a great man.

Paula is extraordinary in that she knows how to stay grounded and be present for those of us around her. She is a woman who sees that glass as half full and always encouraging me to smile. I am very grateful for having Paula in my life, I know that I count on her when I am in need of someone to lean on.

Thank you for this opportunity and please feel free to contact me with any further questions.

Megan Grimes-De Voe

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February 19, 2019

To whom it may concern:

Please consider this to be a letter of reference for Paula Bullock. I have known Paula for approximately two years while doing some bookkeeping for her. During that time, I have watched her perform work as a veterinarian with skill, compassion and love for each animal in her care. I have owned dogs and/or cats for more than 40 years and have watched many other vets at work and have not found one who can match the level of skill I see in Paula Bullock. Paula has been able to diagnose issues and provide relief for my pets almost immediately. She is a skilled surgeon, and an intelligent woman. She is one of the few doctors I know who wants to save as many animals as she can as her first choice of care, instead of choosing the easier path.

Paula is one of the hardest working individuals I know. She works long hours, and pushes herself because she knows that she must depend on herself to take care of family. She is a woman of great inner strength and inner beauty. You will never find her looking for a handout or asking someone else to do the work for her. She will always be the first one to take control of the situation and find a solution.

I feel honored to know her and call her my friend. She has had some difficult trials in her life and it is my hope that she can continue to work as a veterinarian in North Carolina and provide the exceptional care that is needed for the many animals who receive her care. The world could use more people like her.

If there is any other information I can provide on behalf of Paula Bullock, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Linda Newhart

Linda Newhart

My name is Fynn and I am writing this letter to let everyone know how lucky I am to go through this life with my mom. My mom is the nicest, kindest lady on the planet. She loves me to the moon and back and makes every day perfect. My mom home schools me, makes me speak Spanish and helps me be a better person. My mom once said that she saw "Escape from Witch Mountain" as a child and she knew if she ever has a child that she would make life as perfect as in mansion In that movie. My mom is my best friend, my guide, my teacher, my cheerleader and my biggest fan. She always puts me first. I do not remember a day in which we have ever been upset with each other. We just mesh. My mom has taught me great values. I will never drink or smoke or do drugs or get tattoos or piercings. I will honor God, respect people and life and always cherish my mom and Jon. We have traveled the world and done and seen so much. We have loved hard and appreciate all the great things in this life. As a kid, my mom would throw amazing parties for the community and me. She always made life perfect. We spend so many hours together. My mom is my greatest fan. She taught me water sports and snow sports and has provided me with the coaches and tools to become a world class athlete. I often tell her she does not need to work so hard for me, but she does and she does out of love. My mom is the example by which I live life and the person that always is there for support , a hug, a kiss or hold my hand. My mom will always be my number one fan as I am hers as well. I owe all my success to Jon and her for providing me with this amazing life and family.

Please ask any questions and please keep my 'family my together My!!

Sincerely,


Fynn Bullock-Womble
Fynn